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Ex parte ERIC CHAO XU

Application No. 10/677,545
Technology Center 1700

Mailed: May 11, 2009

Before PAMELA S. BENNETT, *Review Team Paralegal*.
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ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on May 6, 2009. A review of the application revealed that it is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the Examiner to address the following matter requiring attention prior to docketing.

EXAMINER'S CONSIDERATION OF REPLY BRIEF

A Reply Brief and Request for Oral Hearing were filed in this application on April 2, 2009. There is no evidence on the record indicating that the Examiner has considered the Reply Brief in accordance with 37 CFR § 41.43(a)(1) and § 1208, part II, of the *Manual of Patent Examining Procedure* (MPEP) (Eighth Edition, Rev. 6, September 2007).

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, it is ORDERED that the application be returned to the Examiner:

- 1) to consider the Reply Brief filed April 2, 2009, as indicated above; and
- 2) for such further action as may be appropriate.

If there are any questions pertaining to this Order, please contact the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences at 571-272-9797.

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